

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 and 22-35 are now pending in the application. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

SPECIFICATION

The title of the invention is deemed non-descriptive. Although applicant does not necessarily agree, the title now reads "LIQUID CRYSTAL DEVICE HAVING MULTI-LAYER ELECTRODE, METHOD OF MAKING THE SAME, AND ELECTRONIC APPARATUS". Applicant thanks the examiner for the suggested title in the office action.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 18-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Anzaki et al. JP 09-283866 and Fukuyoshi et al. JP 09-230806. This rejection is respectfully traversed. Notwithstanding, in order to expedite prosecution of the present application, claim 18 now calls for the allowable subject matter of objected to claim 21. Claims 19 and 20 depend from amended claim 18. Accordingly, this rejection should be moot.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner states that claim 21 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 18 now recites the allowable subject matter of claim 21. Claim 21 is cancelled. Therefore, all claims should now be in condition for allowance.

NEW CLAIMS

New claims 27-35 are added. These new claims call for a metal oxide film deposited on the reflective conductive film and patterned so that the metal oxide film protruding from an edge of the reflective conductive film comes into contact with the underlying film. Support for these new claims can be found throughout the specification, claims, and drawings as originally filed.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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